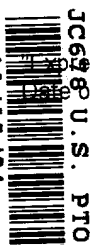


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Claims as Filed	Col. 1	Col. 2
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Basic Fee		
Total Claims	-20	
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x\$9=	\$
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